

member on the subcommittee, Representative BRETT GUTHRIE of Kentucky, for expediting this legislation and helping us make these needed corrections in a bipartisan manner.

I urge all my colleagues to vote “yes” on H.R. 1777.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. I rise in support of this legislation, and I yield myself such time as I may consume.

The House easily passed this bill under suspension at the end of March and, as often happens with the legislative process, when it went to the Senate, a few changes were made. Therefore, we are here again today simply to give final approval to a bill we have already supported, and rightfully so.

The primary purpose of this legislation is to make technical changes to ensure smooth implementation of the bipartisan higher education reforms enacted last year. Second, it addresses a pressing issue facing the Federal student loan programs. And third, the legislation includes a provision to assist students who have lost a parent to the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The technical corrections are just that, clarifications needed to ensure that the first comprehensive renewal of higher education programs in a decade can be put into place as Congress intended. The legislation will also help student loan borrowers who have fallen behind to rebuild their damaged credit by making these loans eligible for emergency liquidity measures enacted last fall. It's a simple change that will make a real difference for borrowers who are just trying to do the right thing by restarting regular payments on their Federal student loans.

The other change we are making in this bill is also important for a different set of students, students who have suffered a terrible loss but who have continued to move forward to achieve a postsecondary education. And I'm talking about the students who have lost a parent due to the military action taking place in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The Higher Education Act reauthorization bill that was passed by this body last Congress included a provision that would allow Pell-eligible students to automatically receive the maximum Pell Grant if one of their parents died as a result of their military service in Iraq or Afghanistan. The legislation before us today extends a similar benefit to students who may fall outside of the income limits placed on the Pell Grant program but who have also suffered the same type of loss.

Under this legislation, all students who have lost a soldier-parent as a direct result of fighting in the war in Iraq and Afghanistan will be eligible for a grant. The parents of these students have given their lives in service to our country.

A college student who loses a parent in the war loses so much more than we can fathom. These students will not

have their parent around to move into their first dorm room or hear complaints about cafeteria food. They will not have their parent's consolation and encouragement to continue even after a poor test grade or a difficult professor. Of course, these students who lose a parent in Iraq or Afghanistan will not have the financial support of their parent in this time of rising college costs and economic uncertainty.

While this legislation does not provide students with the same type of support a parent could provide, I hope it will ease the financial burden of paying for college just a little bit.

The legislation before us easily passed the House once. I hope for a similar result again, and I urge my colleagues to join me in voting “yes” on this legislation.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. HINOJOSA. Mr. Speaker, I have no other speakers, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Texas (Mr. HINOJOSA) that the House suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill, H.R. 1777.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

PERMISSION FOR COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES TO FILE SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT ON H.R. 2647, NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to file a supplemental report on the bill, H.R. 2647.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Missouri?

There was no objection.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 1 o'clock and 13 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

□ 1833

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro

tempore (Mr. JACKSON of Illinois) at 6 o'clock and 33 minutes p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order: S. 407, by the yeas and nays; H.R. 1016, de novo; H.R. 1211, by the yeas and nays; H.R. 1172, by the yeas and nays; concurring in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1777, de novo.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

VETERANS' COMPENSATION COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT ACT OF 2009

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, S. 407, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. ROSS). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. FILNER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, S. 407.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 403, nays 0, not voting 30, as follows:

[Roll No. 419]

YEAS—403

Abercrombie	Brown, Corrine	Davis (CA)
Ackerman	Brown-Waite,	Davis (IL)
Aderholt	Ginny	Davis (KY)
Adler (NJ)	Buchanan	Davis (TN)
Akin	Burgess	Deal (GA)
Alexander	Burton (IN)	DeFazio
Altmire	Butterfield	Delahunt
Andrews	Buyer	DeLauro
Arcuri	Calvert	Dent
Austria	Camp	Diaz-Balart, L.
Baca	Cantor	Diaz-Balart, M.
Bachmann	Cao	Dicks
Bachus	Capito	Dingell
Baird	Capps	Doggett
Baldwin	Capuano	Donnelly (IN)
Barrett (SC)	Cardoza	Doyle
Barrow	Carnahan	Dreier
Bartlett	Carney	Driehaus
Barton (TX)	Carson (IN)	Duncan
Bean	Carter	Edwards (MD)
Becerra	Cassidy	Edwards (TX)
Berkley	Castle	Ehlers
Berman	Castor (FL)	Ellison
Berry	Chaffetz	Ellsworth
Biggert	Chandler	Emerson
Bilbray	Childers	Engel
Bilirakis	Clarke	Eshoo
Bishop (GA)	Clay	Etheridge
Bishop (NY)	Cleaver	Fallin
Bishop (UT)	Clyburn	Farr
Blackburn	Coble	Fattah
Blumenauer	Coffman (CO)	Filner
Boccheri	Cohen	Flake
Boehner	Cole	Fleming
Bonner	Conaway	Forbes
Bono Mack	Connolly (VA)	Fortenberry
Boozman	Cooper	Foster
Boren	Costello	Fox
Boswell	Courtney	Frank (MA)
Boucher	Crenshaw	Franks (AZ)
Boustany	Crowley	Frelinghuysen
Brady (PA)	Cuellar	Fudge
Bright	Culberson	Galleghy
Brown (GA)	Cummings	Garrett (NJ)
Brown (SC)	Dahlkemper	Gerlach

Giffords Mack
 Gingrey (GA) Maffei
 Gohmert Maloney
 Gonzalez Manzullo
 Goodlatte Marchant
 Gordon (TN) Markey (CO)
 Granger Markey (MA)
 Graves Marshall
 Grayson Massa
 Green, Al Matheson
 Green, Gene Matsui
 Griffith McCarthy (CA)
 Guthrie McCaul
 Hall (NY) McClintock
 Hall (TX) McCollum
 Halvorson McCotter
 Hare McDermott
 Harman McGovern
 Harper McHugh
 Hastings (FL) McIntyre
 Heinrich McKeon
 Heller McMahan
 Hensarling McMorris
 Herger Rodgers
 Herseeth Sandlin McNerney
 Hill Meek (FL)
 Himes Meeks (NY)
 Hinchey Melancon
 Hinojosa Mica
 Hirono Michaud
 Hodes Miller (FL)
 Hoekstra Miller (MI)
 Holden Miller (NC)
 Holt Miller, Gary
 Honda Miller, George
 Hoyer Minnick
 Hunter Mitchell
 Inglis Moore (KS)
 Insee Moore (WI)
 Israel Moran (KS)
 Issa Moran (VA)
 Jackson (IL) Murphy (CT)
 Jackson-Lee Murphy (NY)
 (TX) Murphy, Patrick
 Jenkins Murphy, Tim
 Johnson (GA) Murtha
 Johnson (IL) Myrick
 Johnson, E. B. Nadler (NY)
 Johnson, Sam Napolitano
 Jones Neal (MA)
 Jordan (OH) Neugebauer
 Kagen Nunes
 Kanjorski Nye
 Kaptur Oberstar
 Kildee Obey
 Kilpatrick (MI) Olson
 Kilroy Oliver
 Kind Ortiz
 King (IA) Pallone
 King (NY) Pascarell
 Kingston Pastor (AZ)
 Kirk Paul
 Kirkpatrick (AZ) Pence
 Kissell Perlmutter
 Klein (FL) Perriello
 Kline (MN) Peters
 Kosmas Peterson
 Kratovil Petri
 Kucinich Pingree (ME)
 Lamborn Pitts
 Lance Platts
 Langevin Poe (TX)
 Larson (CT) Polis (CO)
 Latham Pomeroy
 LaTourette Posey
 Latta Price (GA)
 Lee (CA) Price (NC)
 Lee (NY) Putnam
 Levin Quigley
 Lewis (CA) Rahall
 Linder Rangel
 Lipinski Rehberg
 LoBiondo Reichert
 Loeb sack Reyes
 Lofgren, Zoe Richardson
 Lowey Rodriguez
 Lucas Roe (TN)
 Luetkemeyer Rogers (AL)
 Lujan Rogers (KY)
 Lungren, Daniel Rogers (MI)
 E. Rohrabacher
 Lynch Rooney

NOT VOTING—30

Blunt Conyers
 Boyd Costa
 Brady (TX) Davis (AL)
 Braley (IA) DeGette
 Campbell Grijalva

Ros-Lehtinen
 Roskam
 Ross
 Rothman (NJ)
 Roybal-Allard
 Royce
 Ruppersberger
 Rush
 Ryan (OH)
 Ryan (WI)
 Salazar
 Sánchez, Linda
 T.
 Sanchez, Loretta
 Sarbanes
 Scalise
 Schakowsky
 Schauer
 Schiff
 Schmidt
 Schrader
 Schwartz
 Scott (GA)
 Scott (VA)
 Sensenbrenner
 Serrano
 Sessions
 Sestak
 Sherman
 Shimkus
 Shuster
 Simpson
 Sires
 Skelton
 Slaughter
 Smith (NE)
 Smith (NJ)
 Smith (TX)
 Smith (WA)
 Snyder
 Souder
 Space
 Speier
 Spratt
 Stark
 Stearns
 Stupak
 Sutton
 Tanner
 Tauscher
 Taylor
 Teague
 Terry
 Thompson (CA)
 Thompson (MS)
 Thompson (PA)
 Thornberry
 Abercrombie
 Ackerman
 Aderholt
 Tierney
 Adler (NJ)
 Titus
 Tonko
 Towns
 Tsongas
 Turner
 Upton
 Van Hollen
 Velázquez
 Baca
 Bachmann
 Bachus
 Baird
 Baldwin
 Barrett (SC)
 Barrow
 Bartlett
 Barton (TX)
 Bean
 Becerra
 Berkley
 Berman
 Berry
 Biggert
 Bilbray
 Bilirakis
 Bishop (GA)
 Bishop (NY)
 Bishop (UT)
 Blackburn
 Clay
 Boccieri
 Boehner
 Bonner
 Bono Mack
 Boozman
 Boren
 Boswell
 Boucher
 Boustany

Lewis (GA)
 Lummis
 McCarthy (NY)
 McHenry
 Mollohan
 Paulsen
 Payne
 Radanovich
 Schock
 Shadegg
 Shea-Porter
 Shuler
 Sullivan
 Woolsey
 Wu

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1857

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

VETERANS HEALTH CARE BUDGET REFORM AND TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2009

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question on suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 1016, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. FILNER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1016, as amended.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 409, noes 1, not voting 23, as follows:

[Roll No. 420]

AYES—409

Boyd
 Brady (PA)
 Bright
 Broun (GA)
 Brown (SC)
 Brown, Corrine
 Brown-Waite,
 Ginny
 Buchanan
 Burgess
 Burton (IN)
 Butterfield
 Calvert
 Camp
 Cantor
 Cao
 Capito
 Capps
 Capuano
 Cardoza
 Carnahan
 Carney
 Carson (IN)
 Carter
 Cassidy
 Castle
 Castor (FL)
 Chaffetz
 Chandler
 Childers
 Clarke
 Clay
 Cleaver
 Clyburn
 Coble
 Coffman (CO)
 Cohen
 Cole
 Conaway
 Connolly (VA)
 Cooper
 Costello
 Courtney
 Crenshaw
 Crowley
 Cuellar
 Culberson
 Dahlkemper
 Davis (AL)
 Davis (CA)
 Davis (IL)
 Davis (KY)
 Davis (TN)
 Deal (GA)
 DeFazio
 DeGette
 Delahunt
 DeLauro
 Dent
 Diaz-Balart, L.
 Diaz-Balart, M.
 Dicks
 Dingell
 Doggett
 Donnelly (IN)
 Doyle
 Dreier
 Driehaus
 Duncan
 Edwards (MD)
 Edwards (TX)
 Ehlers
 Ellison
 Ellsworth
 Emerson
 Engel
 Eshoo
 Etheridge
 Fallin
 Farr
 Fattah
 Filner

Flake
 Fleming
 Forbes
 Fortenberry
 Foster
 Foxx
 Frank (MA)
 Franks (AZ)
 Frelinghuysen
 Fudge
 Gallegly
 Garrett (NJ)
 Gerlach
 Giffords
 Gingrey (GA)
 Gohmert
 Gonzalez
 Goodlatte
 Gordon (TN)
 Granger
 Graves
 Grayson
 Green, Al
 Green, Gene
 Griffith
 Grijalva
 Guthrie
 Hall (NY)
 Hall (TX)
 Halvorson
 Hare
 Harman
 Harper
 Hastings (FL)
 Hastings (WA)
 Heinrich
 Heller
 Hensarling
 Herger
 Herseeth Sandlin
 Higgins
 Hill
 Himes
 Hinchey
 Hinojosa
 Hirono
 Hodes
 Hoekstra
 Holden
 Holt
 Honda
 Hoyer
 Hunter
 Inglis
 Insee
 Israel
 Issa
 Jackson (IL)
 Jackson-Lee
 (TX)
 Jenkins
 Johnson (GA)
 Johnson (IL)
 Johnson, E. B.
 Johnson, Sam
 Jones
 Jordan (OH)
 Kagen
 Kanjorski
 Kaptur
 Kildee
 Kilpatrick (MI)
 Kilroy
 Kind
 King (IA)
 King (NY)
 Kingston
 Kirk
 Kirkpatrick (AZ)
 Kissell
 Klein (FL)
 Kline (MN)
 Kosmas
 Kratovil
 Kucinich
 Lamborn
 Lance
 Langevin
 Larson (CT)
 Latham
 LaTourette
 Latta
 Lee (CA)
 Lee (NY)
 Levin
 Linder
 Lipinski
 LoBiondo
 Loeb sack
 Lofgren, Zoe
 Lowey
 Lucas
 Luetkemeyer
 Lujan
 Lungren, Daniel
 E.
 Lynch

Rogers (AL)
 Rogers (KY)
 Rogers (MI)
 Rohrabacher
 Rooney
 Ros-Lehtinen
 Roskam
 Ross
 Rothman (NJ)
 Roybal-Allard
 Royce
 Ruppersberger
 Rush
 Ryan (OH)
 Ryan (WI)
 Salazar
 Sánchez, Linda
 T.
 Sanchez, Loretta
 Sarbanes
 Scalise
 Schakowsky
 Schauer
 Schiff
 Schmidt
 Schrader
 Schwartz
 Scott (GA)
 Scott (VA)
 Sensenbrenner
 Serrano
 Sessions
 Sestak
 Sherman
 Shimkus
 Shuster
 Simpson
 Sires
 Skelton
 Slaughter
 Smith (NE)
 Smith (NJ)
 Smith (TX)
 Smith (WA)
 Snyder
 Souder
 Space
 Speier
 Spratt
 Stark
 Stearns
 Stupak
 Sutton
 Tanner
 Tauscher
 Taylor
 Teague
 Terry
 Thompson (CA)
 Thompson (MS)
 Thompson (PA)
 Thornberry
 Tiahrt
 Tiberi
 Tierney
 Titus
 Tonko
 Towns
 Tsongas
 Turner
 Upton
 Van Hollen
 Velázquez
 Visclosky
 Walden
 Walz
 Wamp
 Wasserman
 Schultz
 Waters
 Watson
 Watt
 Westmoreland
 Wexler
 Whitfield
 Wilson (OH)
 Wilson (SC)
 Wittman
 Wolf
 Wu
 Yarmuth
 Young (AK)
 Young (FL)